

REMARKS

Claims 3-5 are pending in this application, of which claim 3 has been amended and claims 4-5 are newly-added.

The Examiner has objected to the Abstract for informalities. Accordingly, the Abstract has been amended to correct the noted informalities.

Claim 3 stands rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,080,142 to Calamito et al. (hereinafter "**Calamito et al.**").

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Calamito et al. discloses an integrally woven multi-aperture multi-ply angle interlock fabric which is woven so as to have a plurality of apertures which extend across the width of the fabric and are completely contained within the thickness of the fabric. The fabric is comprised of a first yarn system in which yarns extending across the width of the fabric in parallel, spaced-apart fashion form a laminate of spaced-apart, generally parallel yarn layers between the opposite top and bottom surfaces. The fabric is also comprised of a second yarn system having weaver yarns arranged into yarn layers which repeatedly extend through portions of the thickness of the fabric between the top and bottom surfaces and which interweave with a plurality of the yarn layers of the first yarn system on one side of and one or more yarn layers of the first yarn system on the other side of the plurality of apertures being formed within the thickness of the fabric.

The Examiner has apparently corresponded the apertures in **Calamito et al.** to the divisibly woven sections S1 of the present invention.

Calamito et al. fails to show, however, structural members in any of an I beam

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arrangement, a honeycomb arrangement, or a stacked honeycomb arrangement, as shown in Figs. 10, 12 and 13 (or 14), respectively.

Accordingly, claim 3 has been amended to recite the I beam structure, and new claims 4 and 5 directed to the honeycomb and stacked honeycomb structural material, respectively, have been added.

Thus, the 35 USC §102(b) rejection should be withdrawn.

In view of the aforementioned amendments and accompanying remarks, claims 3-5, as amended, are in condition for allowance, which action, at an early date, is requested.


If, for any reason, it is felt that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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